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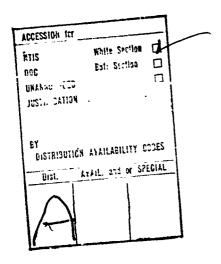
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INTRODUCTION

This report describes an effort carried out by the National Weather Service (NWS), with funding support from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), to develop an improved technique for the prediction of ceiling and visibility. The objective of the effort was to:

- (1) Develop equations for predicting the probability of occurrence of specific categories of ceiling and visibility for time projections of 3, 6, 9, 12 and 15 hours for a specified list of air terminals.
- (2) Develop the necessary computer programs to operationally implement the prediction equations.

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The probability forecasts were to be based only on surface observational data from the terminal for which the forecast was made and were to be produced within one hour after observation time. The prediction equations were to be devised and tested with the approach discussed in Report Number FAA-RD-70-26 (Allen, 1970).

In developing the required equations, the statistical technique of screening regression was used. From a large set of possible predictors, a subset was chosen by a screening algorithm for a group of predictand categories. The chosen predictors for each given predictand became variables in a mathematical expression referred to as a "single-station" equation. For each terminal, a unique set of single-station equations was derived.

The original work along these lines began with the efforts of Enger, et al. (1962), at the Travelers Research Center. Subsequent investigations by Miller (1964) and Enger, et al. (1964), demonstrated the feasibility of the method in producing forecasts of approximately the same accuracy as manually-prepared forecasts and the best objective techniques then available.

The REEP (Regression Estimation of Event Probabilities) procedure was used to develop the prediction equations. In this scheme, the predictors and predictands are binary, i.e., they can take on values of 0 or 1 only; if the value of a particular element is within a given range, the corresponding predictor is set to 1; otherwise, it is set to 0. The regression equations are developed stepwise, successively selecting the best predictors from a large number available. This screening of predictors continues until some predetermined number of predictors is selected or until none of the remaining predictors would improve the relationship adequately.

Allen (1969) continued exploring the basic approach and designed an operational test of the method under field conditions. At this stage in the development, equations were derived by screening possible predictors from not only the terminal under investigation but also from 10 to 14 terminals

in the surrounding area; the results were called "network" equations. Equations for eight major terminals were developed, and forecasts were generated in real time at a central computer site and provided to forecasters responsible for the issuance of official, manually-prepared forecasts. In order to determine their contribution to forecast improvement, the objective forecasts were timed to reach the field after the subjective forecasts had been prepared but sufficiently in advance of filing deadlines. The forecaster was therefore able to examine the objective forecast and modify his original forecast dependent upon the later information. For a period of seven months, objective forecasts were prepared every six hours and transmitted to the field forecasters. Records were kept in the field of the original objective and subjective forecasts and modified subjective forecasts. Comparative verification of the three types of forecasts indicated that the objective forecasts were of some value as guidance in preparing terminal forecasts, but their value was small and irregular with respect to the for casting of low ceiling and visibility conditions in difficult weather situations. It was suggested that these results were due mainly to the use of simple predictors in the equations and that using more sophisticated predictors would lead to improved forecasts. The experiment did demonstrate, however, the practicalities of computing and distributing automated forecasts from a central location.

Because of the relatively high data and computer costs involved in developing network equations, Allen (1970) conducted an experiment in which equations were developed by screening possible predictors derived from variables observed at only the terminal in question. These single-station equations were developed and tested for four terminals. In developing the equations, screening was performed on 339 variables including both simple and compound (Boolean) predictors. The latter were composed of two or more simple predictors connected by the logical operators "And" and "Or". Boolean predictors were used to model physically meaningful relationships which cannot be described by simple predictors alone.

Allen compared the single-station equations for the four terminals with network equations developed for the same terminals in the earlier experiment. The evaluation was achieved by comparing the respective reductions of variance attained during the derivation of equations for each system. The results showed the network equations to be slightly superior but not enough so to justify the significantly higher costs involved in developing equations for a large number of terminals. Based on this comparison and the findings of the earlier work, it was decided to expand the single-station equation project and develop equations for a large group of U.S. terminals.

DEVELOPMENT OF SINGLE-STATION EQUATIONS

Discussions between the FAA and the NWS led to a decision to develop single-station equations for (1) 20 terminals which were receiving official NWS forecasts (FT's) and which were being treated by the NWS in a parallel effort—under the same Interagency Agreement—to develop prediction equations utilizing parameters output by certain numerical models; the results of this latter effort were called MOS (Model Output Statistics) equations (Bocchieri

Table 1. Terminals Selected for the Development of Single-Station Equations

(a) Terminals in the NWS FT Program	(b) Terminals not in the NWS FT Program
1. Albany, N. Y.	1. Bedford, Mass.
2. Atlanta, Ga.	2. Jackson, Miss. (Hawkins Field)
3. Baltimore, Md.	3. Greenville, S.C.
4. Buffalo, N. Y.	4. Middletown, Pa.
5. Nashville, Tenn.	5. Moses Lake, Wash.
6. Boston, Mass.	6. Spartanburg, S.C.
7. Birmingham, Ala.	7. Idaho Falls, Id.
8. Cleveland, Ohio	
9. Cincinnati, Ohio	
10. Washington, D.C. (National)	
11. New York. N.Y. (Kennedy)	
12. New Orleans, La.	
13. Chicago, Ill. (Midway)	
14. Pittsburgh, Pa.	
15. Raleigh-Durham, N.C.	
16. Savannah, Ga.	
17. St. Louis, Mo.	
18. Louisville, Ky.	
19. Tallahassee, Fla.	
20. Knoxville, Tenn.	

and Glahn, 1972), (Bocchieri et al., 1973). The intent was to compare the two prediction systems, as well as a third system—a hybrid which would combine the best aspects of the two; and (2) 7 terminals which were not receiving FTs. The 27 terminals selected for equation development are shown in Table 1.

The single-station equations were to be developed such that forecasts of ceiling and visibility would be available for the terminals listed in Table 1(b) for 3, 6, 9, 12, and 15-hour projections, and for the terminals listed in Table 1(a) for 4, 7, 10, 13, and 16-hour projections. The projections for the latter group were selected to allow field forecasters sufficient time to use the objective forecasts as guidance material in the preparation of FTs and still meet filing deadlines.

It was also necessary that improved computer programs be developed to derive single-station equations. The programs used in the previous effort were appropriate to that experimental work. However, they were written for a now obsolescent computer and required extensive human intervention. Furthermore, the original programs were designed to handle data that required considerable preliminary processing. Therefore, a new set of programs was developed which performs the following operations:

(a) Process hourly surface observations input in the standard format of the National Climatic Center. A subprogram reads the data, checks for missing and erroneous entries, tests for meteorological and chronological consistency, and finally converts the data into binary or "dummy" form. This procedure examines 13 elements of each observation and, for each element, determines if its value satisfies the criteria for each of a number of dummy variables. 162 observation dummies are associated with observed elements as shown in Table 2.

Table 2. Observational Blements From Which Dummy Variables Were Defined

Element	Unit of Measurements	Number of Observation Dummies
Ceiling Height	feet	9
Prevailing Visibility	miles	10
Wind Direction	16 compass points	17
Wind Speed	knots	9
Weather	types	12
Dry Bulb Temperature	°F	13
Dew Point Temperature	°F	5
Sea Level Pressure	mb	5
Total Cloud Amount	tenths	4
Relative Humidity	%	6
Lower Sky Cover	classes	9
Time of Day	Local Standard	31
Day of Year	Julian days	_32_
Total		162

- (b) Transform the observation dummy variables into 417 "event" dummy variables. This procedure combines the 162 dummy variables for a given observation with the dummy variables derived from the three preceding hourly observations. In this manner, an event is created linking current and previous weather observations.
- (c) Transform the 417 event describes into the 329 predictors which are screened during the derivation of equations. The 329 predictors are listed in appendix A. The transformation is accomplished by treating some individual event dummies as predictors and by combining some event dummies to form compound (derived) predictors. For example, predictor number 273 is set to 1 (true) if the visibility is not currently greater than 4 miles and the wind direction is between SW and WNW (incl.) and the weather is rain or rain showers or drizgle or freezing rain.
- (d) Develop prediction equations, automatically selecting the most promising predictors from the 329 available. A separate equation is obtained for each of five categories of ceiling and visibility (the predictands), to be obtained by introducing each of the available variables into the regression. It then selects the best one and puts it into the regression, computing the appropriate coefficients. This process is iterated until 30 predictors are in the regression. Since the input predictands are either 0 or 1, the equations obtained give the probabilities of occurrence of the several categories.

The computer program set accomplishes steps (a) through (d) and produces 50 regression equations (5 categories X 5 time projections X 2 weather elements) for a station; fifteen minutes of central-processor-unit (CPU) time on a CDC 6600 are required if the input record is ten years long. In operational practice, each of the equations is evaluated to produce a forecast.

The form of each equation is:

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$$F_y = a_0 + a_1 X_1 + a_2 X_2 + ... + a_{30} X_{30}$$

where F_y is defined as the probability of occurrence of the event y given the conditions represented by the 30 selected predictors X_i ; a_0 through a_0 are coefficients. In practice, since the predictors are binary, the value of any F_y is calculated by adding the coefficients associated with predictors whose value is 1.

The predictand categories which were chosen for this effort are shown in Table 3. For each time projection and for each element to be forecast (ceiling and visibility), five equations were derived—one for each of the predictand categories shown in Table 3. For a given element, the predictors in all five equations are identical but the coefficients are unique. Table 4 illustrates this principle in showing a portion of the 4-hour ceiling prediction equations for Albany, N. Y.

Table 3. Definition of the Ceiling and Visibility Predictand Categories

Category	Ceiling (Feet)	Visibility (Miles)
1	≤ 100	≤ 3/8
2	200 - 400	1/2 - 7/8
3	500 - 900	1 - 2 1/2
4	1000 - 1900	3 - 4
5	≥ 2000	≥ 5

Table 4. 4-Hour Ceiling Prediction Equation for Albany, N.Y.

Predictors		Predictor Coefficients for Predictand Categories				
	1	2	3	4	5	
Constant	.001	.039	.088	.202	.669	
1. Ceiling at $t_0 \ge 2000$ ft	.001	037	087	196	.320	
2. Ceiling at $t_0 \le 400$ ft	.016	.177	.009	162	040	
3. Total cloud cover at t _o > .9	002	.004	.018	.038	-,058	
4. Time of day 22-03L and RH at t > 90% and weather at t fog or ground fog or haze or smoke	.054	.042	.000	.005	102	
0. At t, ceiling 500-900 ft and wind direction NNE-ESE and RH > 80%	.040	051	.000	037	.047	

The final set of 329 possible predictors, which was screened for each terminal, is listed in Appendix A. This standard set of predictors was used to minimize the amount of data processing required prior to each screening run; the predictors are applicable in any season, at any time of day, and for any terminal.

The list is composed of both simple and Boolean predictors and is the result of a major effort to represent several types of initial information. With respect to simple predictors, it had been found that the initial value of individual elements in the observation--especially the initial ceiling and visibility--can be a strong indicator of future conditions, at least for short time projections. On the other hand, combinations of simple predictors were developed in order to specify certain types of initial conditions that might presage low ceilings or low visibilities, or any other range of the predictands. Some predictors were based on changes in ceiling, visibility, wind, or other variables during the last three hours before forecast time. A large number of predictors were included to represent different times of day and seasons in combinations with the initial ceiling or visibility. All parts of the country were considered in this development, insofar as local forecasting experience was known or had been published.

For the derivation of equations, a data base consisting of 10 years of hourly surface observations (about 88,000) for each terminal was used whenever possible; however, a minimum of 5 years of data was required for a terminal to be considered for equation development. The most commonly used time period for the data base was from January 1, 1955 through December 31, 1964; the period of record of the data base for each terminal is shown in Appendix B. In all cases, the data were obtained from the National Climacic Center in Asheville, N.C. and were supplied on magnetic tape in the TDF 1440 format.

The computer programs which generate prediction equations from hourly climatic data are available at the NWS.

MEASURES OF PREDICTION EFFECTIVENESS

It was also required that the NWS provide a set of verification and evaluation measures for the prediction equations. Since the equations are to be used to produce forecast guidance for airways forecasters, the effectiveness of the guidance is the extent to which it improves the weather forecasts that reach the aviation user. A direct measure of improvement would have required an extensive, controlled experiment to evaluate the difference between forecasts made--under operational conditions--with and without the guidance. Such an experiment was not feasible within the resources available; however, by FAA/NWS agreement, it was decided to evaluate several characteristics of the guidance that, to a large extent, determine its effectiveness:

1. Accuracy

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- 2. Timeliness
- 3. Ease of Interpretation
- 4. Repeatability

Accuracy

Since the forecast guidance is in terms of probabilities, the appropriate measure is the P-score (Brier, 1950)¹. It is essentially the mean square error of a set of probability forecasts. Because it is strongly influenced by the frequency of occurrence of the several categories of ceiling or visibility, the score of the climatological probability forecast is used as a norm and the accuracy of the forecast is expressed in percent improvement over climatology. Thus, accuracy for each set of forecasts is represented by the expression

$$\frac{P (clim) - P (fcst)}{P (clim)} \cdot 100$$

Timeliness

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It is necessary that the guidance be in the hands of the aviation forecaster when he can make the best use of it in his forecast. In planning the development of the prediction equations, timeliness of the ultimate guidance product was considered essential; the guidance should be in the hands of the forecaster an hour before he must issue his forecast. Significant increase of the lead time would, of course, reduce the accuracy of the forecast. Although the system is designed to produce the guidance on schedule, computer and communications failures may cause the delay or loss of some guidance issuances. Therefore, timeliness (and dependability) will be measured by the percent of guidance issuances that reach the forecaster one hour before he must complete his forecast.

Ease of Interpretation

The forecast guidance product is a statement of probabilities of the several categories of ceiling and visibility. As with all new forecast guidance, the field forecasters will be furnished background information so that they may properly interpret the guidance. In this connection, explicit provision will be made for inquiries if the forecasters require additional information. Also, a representative sample of forecasters will be surveyed to determine whether the format of the message containing the guidance is satisfactory. Ease of interpretation will be considered satisfactory if and when all significant questions are resolved and 80% of the forecasters are satisfied with the format.

Repeatability

Identical inputs will produce identical forecast guidance. (Note that the time and date of the observations are part of the input). Since complete repeatability is inherent in the system, no measure of repeatability is necessary.

See Appendix F for an explanation of all verification methods used in this report.

ANALYSIS AND VERIFICATION OF THE EQUATIONS

Following their derivation, the equations for the 20 terminals shown in Table 1(a), were examined in three ways: (1) an analysis of the predictors chosen; (2) a verification of the equations with independent data; and (3) an attempt to determine the optimum number of predictors to be included in each equation.

The analysis of predictors was conducted to summarize: (a) the order of selection of predictors, with respect to elements and projections, by individual terminals; (b) the frequency of selection of each of the 329 possible predictors for the 20 terminals as a group; and (c) the manner in which predictors were selected for elements and projections with respect to each of the 329 possible predictors.

Analysis (a) consisted of a summary, by individual terminals, of the predictors in each derived equation for a given element and projection. The summary, which is presented in Appendix C, lists the 30 predictors included in each equation; the predictors are listed in the order in which they were selected during the screening process. For any given element and projection, the same predictors appear in all 5 predictand category equations but for a given predictor the coefficients will vary from equation to equation. Due to space limitations, the coefficients have been omitted from Appendix C.

In analysis (b), the number of times each of the 329 predictors was selected during the derivation of equations was calculated. The maximum number of times a predictor could have been selected was 200--if it were included in every element and projection equation for all 20 terminals. In actuality, the greatest number of times any predictor was selected was 188. The most frequently chosen predictor was total cloud amount at t (TCA) covering more than 9/10 of the sky. The second most frequently chosen predictor was present weather (WEA) observed as either rain or freezing rain or sleet--it was selected 129 times. The third, fourth, and fifth most frequently chosen predictors--each was selected more than 100 times--were, respectively:

(3) Sea-level pressure at t less than 1010 mb

- (4) Time of day 16-01 LST and present ceiling below 500 ft and either present relative humidity greater than 89% or present weather observed as drizzle.
- (5) Time of day 22-03 LST and present relative humidity greater than 89% and present weather observed as either fog or ground fog or haze or smoke.

A summary of analysis (b) is presented in two ways: (1) the number of times each predictor was selected appears in parentheses in Appendix A following each predictor number, and (2) the 100 most frequently chosen predictors are shown in Appendix D.

In analysis (c), each of the 329 possible predictors was examined to determine the manner in which it was selected—if at all—with respect to both elements, all projections, and screening cycle, summarized for all terminals. Only predictors which were chosen at least 40 times are shown in Appendix E. The summary for each predictor is arranged to permit rapid evaluation of its importance at a particular terminal or to a particular projection.

From an independent set of data forecasts for 4, 10 and 16 hours were generated with the equations for the terminals in Table 1(a) and verified with respect to three scores; the results were then compared to persistence and climatology. The data consisted of surface observations at each terminal for 0500, 0600, 0700, and 0800 GMT for each day during the period October 1, 1970 to March 31, 1971. For the projections used, the forecasts were valid at 1200, 1800, and 0000 GMT.

The results of the verification, which are shown in Table 5, indicate that, in general, the single-station equations produced the best forecasts. The exceptions were for the 4-hour forecast where persistence scored the high-cut for percent correct (all categories), and the 16-hour forecast, where the objective technique was tied with climatology for percent correct (all categories). It should be noted, however, that the Brier P-score is normally the standard measure for probability forecasts; by this measure the objective technique was the best of the three verified. In terms of percent improvement over climatology by the forecasts as measured by the P-score (see previous section), the objective technique again displayed skill; results are presented in Table 6. For this verification, climatology was defined as the relative frequency of each predictand category during the one year season specified above.

In order to determ ne the effects of reducing the number of predictors in the equations, a second test was conducted with independent data. The test consisted of generating forecasts for the winters (October 1 - March 31) of 1967 1971 with equations containing from 3 to 30 predictors, in multiples of 3 predictors. The independent data sample was identical in its makeup (i.e. surface observations for 0500-0800 GMT) to that used in the previously described verification; the projections used and the verification scores used were likewise identical.

The scores for the comparative verification of ceiling forecasts are shown in Table 7 and indicate general improvement with an increase in the number of predictors; it can be seen, however, that the amount of improvement became small when the number of predictors approached 30. The results for visibility forecasts were similar. The conclusion was reached that using more than 30 predictors could not be justified, but, since some improvement was attained up to that point, the number of predictors should not be reduced either.

Independent Data Verification of Objective Forecasts, Persistence and Climatology Table 5.

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Projection	Tochafone		Verif	Verification Score	
		Brier P-Score	Allen Utility Score	Percent Correct All Categories	Percent Correct
			(a) Geiling		
4-Hr	Objective Persistence Climatology	.303* .418 .498	505.* 480 299	78.0 79.1* 75.1	44.5*
10-Hr	Objective Persistence Climatoiogy	.304* .536 .428	435* 390 315	78.7* 73.2 78.6	27.1* 21.6
16-Hr	Objective Persistence Climatology	.254* .556	383:t 347 325	84.1* 72.2 84.1*	20.0*
			#*************************************		

(b) Visibility

4-Hr	Objective Persistence Climatology	.307* .414 .449	452* 429 303	78.8 79.3* 77.5	37.9* 35.7
10-Hr	Objective Persistence Climatology	.250* .474 .309	385* 350 323	84.5* 76.3 84.5*	27.3*
16-Hr	Objective Persistence Climatology	.216* .476 .258	371* 333 332	87.1* 76.2 87.1*	33,3*
* indicat	* indicates best score				

Table 6. Improvement Over Climatology by Objective Forecasts with Independent Data

Projection	Element	Percent Improvement Over Climatology
4 Hr	Ceiling Visibility	39.2 31.6
10-Hr	Ceiling Visibility	29.0 19.1
16-Hr	Ceiling Visibility	19.9 16.3

IMPLEMENTATION FOR OPERATIONAL USE

In order to make forecasts with the prediction equations for a given terminal, the four most recent hourly airways weather reports for that terminal are required as basic input. These must be processed into observation dummies and then into event dummies and finally into dummy predictors in the set of 329 used in the development. However, not all of the 329 need be generated, but rather only that subset of 329 actually selected in the REEP equations for that station. The forecasts are then obtained by summing those coefficients associated with predictors having a value of 1 (true).

The work involved requires the use of a computer to make the forecasts even for a single station. Since the large number of constants involved and the differences in the equations from station to station make the preparation of an implementation program for each station a large task, it was decided to develop a computer program which would generate another program or subroutine to make the forecasts for each station.

The implementation program generator is a program for the CDC 6600 that accepts, as input, the definitions of the various dummies and the REEP equations for a given station and generates as output a computer program that will produce the forecasts for that station. The first version of the program generator produced programs for use on a time-shared computer system.

The computer program to make forecasts for JFK (Kennedy International Airport, New York) on a time-shared system was implemented in the spring of 1971 and was made available to forecasters in New York. However, since the time-shared system had no other access to weather data, the individual observations had to be entered manually. Although the program minimized the work required to enter the data, the New York forecasters made little use of the system and supported the other approach—computation of the forecasts at the National Meteorological Center with automated distribution

Table 7. Comparative Verification of Ceiling Forecasts Generated from Equations with Variable Numbers of Predictors, Winters of 1967-71.

Number of		Verification	on Score		
Predictors	Brier	Percent	Allen Utility		
	P-Score	Correct	Score		
	(a) 4-Hr Forecast	s Verifying a	at 1200 GMT		
0	.3792	77.82	437		
3	.2905	79.24	625		
6	.2849	79.20	631		
9	. 2834	79.33	631		
12	. 2320	79.39	634		
15	.2796	79.63	641		
18	.2783	79.73	643		
21	.2775	79.79	646		
24	.2760	79.77	646		
27	.2754	79.88	648		
30	.2751	79.77	649		
	(5) 10-Hr Forecas	ts Verifying	at 1800 GMT		
0	.3185	81.71	454		
3	.2687	81.82	553		
6	. 2656	81.91	559		
9	.2645	81.91	557		
12	.2632	81.89	559		
15	.2623	81.94	560		
18	.2620	81.97	561		
21	.2615	81.98	563		
24	.2607	81.96	563		
27	. 2604	81.97	564		
30	. 2596	82.06	567		
(c) 16-Hr Forecasts Verifying at 0000 GMT					
0	.2578	85.72	441		
3	.2353	85.72	500		
6	.2335	85.74	505		
9	.2324	85.74	508		
12	.2324	85.74	508		
15	.2310	85.75	511		
18	.2306	85.73	511		
21	.2304	85.73	512		
24	.2302	85.72	512		
27	.2301	85.74	513		
30	.2300	85.70	514		
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to the field.

A second version of the implementation concrator was developed by modifying the first. This version produces programs that can be run on an IBM 360 computer. A separate subprogram applies to each station and a main program fetches the required observations from the National Meteorological Center's IBM 360 data bank and calls on the subprograms to make the forecasts from the appropriate set of observations. The National Weather Service will issue single-station forecasts for the 20 stations in Table 1(a) on an experimental basis for approximately six months, beginning in April 1973.

DEVELOPMENT OF EQUATIONS FOR ALASKAN TERMINALS

In the latter part of 1971, the Alaska Region of the National Weather Service became interested in the use of the single-station technique for terminals in their area. The Alaska area has some unique forecasting problems, and, since many techniques used in the contiguous U.S. which employ the output of numerical models are not adaptable for use in Alaska, the single-station method appeared to be particularly suitable.

The FAA approved the development of single-station equations for the 23 terminals in Alaska shown in Table 8. A major difference from the earlier work was that one more category was added for both ceiling and visibility. The category modification did not affect the lowest 4 categories but resulted in the following upper 2 categories:

Category	Ceiling (feet)	Visibility (miles)
5	2000-4900	5-6
6	≥5000	>7

The change was requested by the Alaska Region to make the forecasts more useful in the mountainous regions of Alaska.

The equations are to be implemented operationally by the Alaska Region, and the forecasts will be routinely available at the forecast center in Anchorage for guidance and other applications.

Table 8. Alaskan Terminals for Which Single-Station Equations were Developed

1. Anchorage	9. Cordova	17. Bettles
2. Fairbanks	10. Bethel	18. Kenai
3. Juneau	11. Nome	19. Sheyma
4. King Salmon	12. Kotzebue	20. Kodiak
5. Annette	13. McGrath	21. Barter Island
6. Cold Bay	14. Barrow	22. Adak
7. Sitka	15. Unalakleet	23. Summit
8. Yakutat	16. Northway	

SUMMARY

Multiple linear regression equations were derived for predicting the probability of specified ceiling and visibility categories at 50 terminals. The equations are based upon weather observations at the local terminal only and were derived by using the REEP screening technique on 329 possible predictors consisting of simple and Boolean types. The data base for screening was generated from 5 to 10 years of hourly observations for each terminal. A special computer program was developed which generates the data base and derives the prediction equations in 15 minutes of computer CPU time for each terminal.

The resulting equations for 20 terminals were analyzed to determine the order, frequency, and manner in which predictors were chosen with respect to terminal, meteorological element, and time projection. Forecasts for the same group of 20 terminals were generated and verified with one winter season of independent data. In general, forecasts from the single-station equations were superior to both persistence and climatology.

Equations for the 20 terminals were also evaluated to determine the effects of varying the number of predictors in each equation. Comparative verification of forecasts made from equations containing from 3 to 30 predictors—in multiples of 3—indicated that general improvement resulted by increasing the number of predictors, but that the amount of improvement became small as the predictor maximum was approached.

是一种,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人, 第二个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个人,我们是一个

A special computer program was developed to implement—for operational use—equations for about 20 terminals at the National Meteorological Center in Suitland, Maryland. Equations for 23 Alaskan terminals were made available to the National Weather Service Alaska Region for operational implementation at the forecast center in Anchorage.

CONCLUSIONS

REEP prediction equations, which require only locally-available meteorological information to produce ceiling and visibility forecasts, can be derived with moderate computer and data costs. The equations are adaptable to completely automated procedures and can be used to yield terminal forecasts whenever four consecutive hourly observations are available.

Verification of the prediction equations demonstrated the soundness of the single-station approach. It should be noted, however, that the magnitude of improvement over persistence and climicology was not overwhelming. This result was not unexpected inasmuch as the single-station technique is basically a form of conditional climatology and is therefore inherently limited in skill. This research and development technique provides an interim method for the prediction of ceiling and visibility until improved methods, e.g., outputs of numerical weather models, are available. It is expected that equations combining both numerical and single-station methods will produce forecasts of superior accuracy; indeed, this has already been

Indicated in a limited test by Bocchieri et al. (1973). Nevertheless, the single-station prediction technique will continue to have applicability in those areas where numerical prediction products are not available or in operational situations where reliance on numerical products will cause intolerable delays in disseminating a current forecast to the user.

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APPENDIX A

BINARY PREDICTORS SCREENED FOR SINCLE-STATION PREDICTION EQUATIONS

INTRODUCTION

The 329 predictors listed in this Appendix are two-valued variables. Each variable has the value 1 if al? the conditions specified in its definition are satisfied, otherwise it has the value 0. Prediction equations are derived by regression screening applied to these predictors.

DEFINITIONS

Each predictor has a serial number which identifies it in the computer screening runs. These identifiers were assigned by Allen (1970) and all those predictors listed by Allen were used in this work except nos. 18-25, 283 and 294 which involved time lags of 12 or more hours.

The weather elements from which the predictors are formed are the following:

CIG Ceiling in feet above ground

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VIS Prevailing visibility in miles

WDR Direction of the surface wind

WSD Speed of the surface wind in knots

DBT Dry bulb temperature in °F

DPT Dew point temperature in °F

RLH Relative humidity in %

SLP Sea level pressure in mb

SCL Lower sky condition, amount of sky covered by the lowest cloud layer. See Table Al below for the code.

TCA Total cloud amount in tenths of sky covered

WEA Weather observed at the given hour, in twelve groups. See Table A2 below for definition of the groups.

DOY Day of year, beginning with 1 for January 1. Each period defined by DOY runs circularly, thus DOY 341 - 80 means the period December 7 to March 21.

TOD Time of day. This variable is the local standard hour of the latest observation used in making the forecast (forecast time).

The numbers in parentheses immediately following the serial numbers indicate the total number of times each predictor was selected during the screening for prediction equations for the 20 terminals listed in Table 1(a).

The subscript on each predictor component indicates the number of hours lag between the time the variable is observed and the time of the latest data used in the forecast. For example, CIG_3 refers to ceiling observed 3 hours prior to forecast time.

The Boolean operators used in defining the predictors are "*" and "+".

* is the symbol for AND

的,我们就是这种的,我们就是不是不是不是不是不是不是不是,我们就是不是不是一个,我们就是一个,我们就是一个,我们也是不是一个,我们也是一个,我们也是一个,我们就是 "我们,我们就是我们就是我们的,我们就是我们就是我们的,我们就是我们的,我们就是我们的,我们就是我们的,我们就是一个,我们就是我们的,我们就是我们的,我们就是我

+ is the symbol for OR

Parentheses define the order in which operations must be performed.

Table Al. Code For SCL, Lower Sky Condition

Code Value	Condition	
1	Clear	
2	Thin scattered or partly obscured	
3	Scattered	
4	Thin broken	
5	Broken	
6	Thin overcast	
7	Overcast	
8	Sky obscured	

Table A2. Code For WEA, Observed Weather Condition

Code Value	Weather Indicators	
1	None	
2	R-, R, R+	
3	RW-, RW, RW+	
4	L-, L, L+, ZL-, ZL, ZL+	
5	S-, S, S+, SP-, SP, SP+, SG-, SG, SG+, IC	
6	SW-, SW, SW+	
7	T, T+, A, TOR	
8	ZR-, ZR, ZR+, IP-, IP, IP+, IPW-, IPW, IPW+	
9	F, IF	
10	GF	
11	BS, BN, BD, BY	
12	н, к, D	

SINGLE-STATION PREDICTORS

- 1. (2) $CIG_o \leq 100$
- 2. (3) CIG₂₀₀₋₄₀₀
- 3. (6) CIG_a 500-900
- 4. (4) CIG, 1000-1900
- 5. (71) $CIG_o \ge 2000$
- 6. (15) STG. ≤ 400
- 7. (27) $CIG_o \leq 900$
- 8. (69) $CIG_o \leq 4900$
- 9. (2) $VIS_o \leq 3/8$
- 10. (3) VIS. 1/2-7/8
- 11. (4) VIS. 1-2 1/2
- 12. (3) VIS. 3-4
- 13. (42) VIS. ≥ 5
- 14. (4) $VIS_o \leq 7/8$
- 15. (8) $VIS_o \le 1.3/8$
- 16. (28) VIS. $\leq 2 1/2$
- 17. (54) VIS. ≥ 7
- 26. (23) WDR, CALM
- 27. (7) WDR, NNE-E * WSD, ≤ 5
- 28. (10) WDR. NNE-E * WSD. \leq 9
- 29. (12) WDR, NNL-E * WSD, 4-19
- 30. (6) WDR, NNE-E * WSD, \geq 20
- 31. (3) WDR_o NNE-E * WSD_o \geq 30
- 32. (25) WDR, NE-ESE * WSD, \leq 9
- 33. (42) WDR, NE-ESE * WSD, 10-29
- 34. (6) WDR, NE-ESE * WSD, \geq 20
- 35. (8) WDR_{\bullet} E-SSE * $WSD_{\bullet} \leq 5$
- 36. (91) WDR, E-SSE * WSD, 4-19
- 37. (1) WDR, E-SSE * WSD, \geq 20
- 38. (19) WDR. SSE-SW * WSD. 4-9
- 39. (63) WDR. SSE-SW * WSD. 6-19
- 40. (3) WDR, SSE-SW * WSD, \geq 20

- 41. (4) WDR, SW-W * WSD, 4-9
- 42. (6) WDR, SW-W * WSD, \geq 10
- 43. (7) WDR, W-NW * WSD, 4-19
- 44. (15) WDR, W-NW * WSD, ≥ 10
- 45. (4) WDR, NW-N * WSD, 6-19
- 46. (36) WDR, NW-N * WSD, ≥ 10
- 47. (0) WDR, NW-N * WSD, \geq 20
- 48. (31) DBT_o \leq 29
- 49. (71) DBT 30-44
- 50. (25) DBT_o 45-64
- 51. (10) DBT $_{\circ} \geq 85$
- 52. (0) DBT ≥ 90
- 53. (18) DPT_o ≤ 29
- 54. (4) DPT_o 30-39
- 55. (36) $DPT_o \ge 60$
- 56. (22) DPT ≥ 70
- 57. (20) RLH $_{\rm o} \leq 49$
- 58. (42) $RLH_o \leq 69$
- 59. (19) RLH_o 70-89
- 60. (5) RLH_o 90-94
- 61. (48) RLH_o \geq 90
- 62. (10) RLH_o \geq 95
- 63. (32) $SLP_o \ge 1024.95$
- 64. (115) $SLP_o \leq 1009.95$
- 65. (24) SCL, 1
- 66. (31) SCL_o 2, 3
- 67. (8) SCL_o 4, 5
- 68. (2) SCL_o 6, 7
- 69. (4) SCL_o 8
- 70. (0) $SCL_o \leq 3$
- 71. (0) $SGL_0 \le 5$
- 72. (14) TCA_o < 1
- 73. (188) $TCA_0 > 9$
- 74. (33) $TCA_o \leq 5$

- 75. (27) WEA, None
- 76. (5) WEA, R + RW + L + ZL
- 77. (2) WEA, L : ZL
- 78. (30) WEA. S + SW + IC + SG + SQ
- 79. (2) WEA, R * F
- 80. (2) WEA, (L + ZL) * F
- 81. (18) WEA, R + ZR + E + EW
- 82. (129) WEA, R + L + ZL + ZR + E + EW
- 83. (9) WEA, (R + L + ZL + ZR + E + EW) * F
- 84. (17) WEA, (S + SW + SP + IC + SG + SQ) * F
- 85. (13) WEA, F + GF

- 86. (60) RA BS + BD + K + H
- 87. (21) WEA, RW + SW + T + A + ZR + E
- 88. (39) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (CIG_o \leq 100)
- 89. (32) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (CIG. 200-400)
- 90. (27) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (CIG, 1000-1900)
- 91. (45) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (CIG₀ > 2000)
- 92. (58) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (VIS_a \leq 3/8)
- 93. (16) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (VIS. 1/2-7/8)
- 94. (16) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (VIS $_{a}$ 3-4)
- 95. (41) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (VIS_a > 5)
- 96. (19) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 0600-1100) * (CIG. 500-900)
- 97. (11) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 0600-1100) * (CIG_o \geq 2000)
- 98. (14) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 0600-1100) * (VIS_o 1-2 1/2)
- 99. (25) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 0600-1100) * (VIS \geq 5)
- 100. (4) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 0200-0700) * (CIG. 1000-2900)
- 101. (12) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 0200-0700) * (VIS₀ 3-4)
- 102. (34) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 1200-1700) * (CIG_{*} < 100)
- 103. (61) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 1200-1700) * (CIG. 200-400)
- 104. (8) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 1200-1700) * (CIG, 1000-1900)
- 105. (42) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 1200-1700) * (CIG₂ \geq 2000)
- 106. (34) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 1200-1700) * (VIS_o \leq 3/8)
- 167. (7) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 1200-1700) * (VIS_a 1/2-7/8)
- 108. (27) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 1200-1700) * (VIS. 3-4)

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109. (35) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 1200-1700) * (VIS > 5)
110. (38) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 1600-2100) * (CIG<sub>o</sub> \leq 100)
111. (19) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 1600-2100) * (CIG<sub>2</sub> 200-400)
112. (58) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 1600-2100) * (CIG, 1000-1900)
113. (44) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 1600-2100) * (VIS<sub>a</sub> < 3/8)
114. (13) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 1600-2100) * (VIS, 1/2-7/8)
115. (67) (DOY 341-80) * (TOD 1600-2100) * (VIS, 3-4)
116. (2) (DOY 81-160) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (CIG<sub>o</sub> \leq 100)
117. (3) (DOY 81-160) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (CIG. 1000-1900)
118. (44) (DOY 81-160) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (CIG<sub>a</sub> \geq 2000)
119. (2) (DOY 81-160) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (VIS<sub>a</sub> \leq 3/8)
120. (2) (DOY 81-160) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (VIS. 3-4)
121. (42) (DOY 81-160) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (VIS > 5)
122. (50) (DOY 81-160) * (TOD 0600-1500) * (CIG<sub>o</sub> \geq 2000)
123. (47) (DOY 81-160) * (TOD 0600-1500) * (VIS_{0} > 5)
124. (11) (DOY 81-160) * (TOD 1600-2100) * (CIG<sub>o</sub> \leq 100)
125. (9) (DOY 81-160) * (TOD 1600-2100) * (CIG. 200-400)
126. (8) (DOY 81-160) * (TOD 1600-2100) * (CIG. 1000-1900)
127. (7) (DOY 81-160) * (TOD 1600-2100) * (CIG<sub>o</sub> \geq 2000)
128. (7) (DOY 81-160) * (TOD 1600-2100) * (VIS<sub>a</sub> < 3/8)
129. (10) (DOY 81-160) * (TOD 1600-2100) * (VIS. 1/2-7/8)
130. (6) (DOY 81-160) * (TOD 1600-2100) * (VIS. 3-4)
131. (10) (DOY 81-160) * (TOD 1600-2100) * (VIS<sub>0</sub> > 5)
132. (6) (DOY 161-260) * (TOD 2200-0300) * (CIG<sub>2</sub> < 100)
133. (0) (DOY 161-260) * (TOD 2200-0300) * (CIG, 1000-1900)
134. (44) (DOY 161-260) * (TOD 2200-0300) * (CIG<sub>2</sub> > 2000)
135. (9) (DOY 161-260) * (TOD 2200-0300) * (VIS<sub>o</sub> \leq 3/8)
136. (4) (DOY 161-260) * (TOD 2200-0300) * (VIS. 3-4)
137. (53) (DOY 161-260) * (TOD 2200-0300) * (VIS. \geq 5)
138. (56) (DOY 161-260) * (TOD 0400-1100) * (CIG. 1000-1900)
139. (83) (DOY 161-260) * (TOD 0400-1100) * (CIG. \geq 2000)
140. (47) (DOY 161-260) * (TOD 0400-1100) * (VIS. 3-4)
141. (61) (DOY 161-260) * (TOD 0400-1100) * (VIS<sub>o</sub> \geq 5)
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142. (35) (DOY 161-260) * (TOD 1200-1900) * (CIG_a \geq 2000)

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143. (21) (DOY 161-260) * (TOD 1200-1900) * (VIS_{\bullet} \ge 5)
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144. (12) (DOY 261-340) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (CIG_o
$$\leq$$
 100)

145. (47) (DOY 261-340) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (CIG_o
$$\geq$$
 2000)

. 146. (35) (DOY 261-340) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (VIS
$$\leq 3/8$$
)

147. (23) (DOY 261-340) * (TOD 2200-0500) * (VIS_a
$$\geq$$
 5)

148. (50) (DOY 261-340) * (TOD 0600-1700) * (GIG,
$$\geq$$
 2000)

149. (22) (DOY
$$261-340$$
) * (TOD $0600-1700$) * (VIS_o ≥ 5)

150. (22) (DOY 261-340) * (TOD 1800-2100) * (CIG_o
$$\leq$$
 100)

153. (23) (DOY 261-340) * (TOD 1800-2100) * (CIG.
$$\geq$$
 2000)

154. (12) (DOY 261-340) * (TOD 1800-2100) * (VIS_o
$$\leq$$
 3/8)

157. (9) (DOY 261-340) * (TOD 1800-2100) * (VIS_o
$$\geq$$
 5)

158. (8)
$$CIG_o \le 100 * VIS_o \le 3/8$$

159. (24)
$$GIG_{\bullet} \leq 400 * VIS_{\bullet} \leq 1 3/8$$

160. (7)
$$CIG_{\bullet} \leq 100 * WSD_{\bullet} \leq 3$$

161. (7)
$$CIG_o \le 400 * WSD_o \le 5$$

162. (0)
$$CIG_{\bullet}$$
 1000-1900 * $WSD_{\bullet} \ge 20$

163. (1)
$$CIG_o \ge 2000 * WSD_o \ge 20$$

164. (2)
$$CIG_{\bullet} \leq 100 * WDR_{\bullet} NNE-E * WSD_{\bullet} \leq 9$$

165. (5)
$$CIG_{\bullet} \le 400 * WLR_{\bullet} NNE-E * WSD_{\bullet} 6-19$$

166. (1)
$$CIG_{\bullet} \leq 900 * WDR_{\bullet} NNE-ESE * WSD_{\bullet} \geq 20$$

167. (8)
$$CIG_{\bullet} \leq 400 * WDR_{\bullet} NE-ESE * WSD_{\bullet} 6-19$$

168. (1)
$$CIG_{\bullet} \leq 400 * WDR_{\bullet} SSE-SW * WSD_{\bullet} \geq 6$$

169. (6)
$$CIG_{\bullet} \leq 1900 * WDR_{\bullet} E-SSE * WSD_{\bullet} \geq 6$$

170. (74)
$$CIG_{\bullet} \leq 4900 * WDR_{\bullet} E-SSE * WSD_{\bullet} \geq 6$$

171. (2)
$$CIG_{\bullet} \leq 1900 * WDR_{\bullet} S-SW * WSD_{\bullet} \geq 6$$

172. (26) CIG_•
$$\leq$$
 1900 * WDR_• SW-W * WSD_• \geq 6

173. (2)
$$CIG_{\bullet} \ge 2000 * WDR_{\bullet} SW-W * WSD_{\bullet} \ge 10$$

174. (0)
$$CIG_{\bullet} \ge 2000 * WDR_{\bullet} W-NW * WSD_{\bullet} \ge 10$$

175. (87)
$$CIG_{\bullet} \leq 1900 * WDR_{\bullet} W-N * WSD_{o} \geq 10$$

176. (31)
$$CIG_{\bullet} \ge 2000 * WDR_{\bullet} W-N * WSD_{\bullet} \ge 6$$

- 177. (2) $VIS_o \leq 7/8 * WSD_o \leq 5$
- 178. (0) $VIS_a \ge 5 * WSD_a \ge 20$
- 179. (4) VIS. $\leq 3/8 * WDR$. NNE-E * WSD. ≤ 9
- 180. (7) $VIS_o \le 7/8 * WDR_o NNE-ESE * WSD_o 6-19$
- 181. (10) VIS. $\leq 7/8 * WDR$. E-SSE * WSD. 6-19
- 182. (1) $VIS_o \le 2 \frac{1}{2} * WDR_o E-SSE * WSD_o 6-19$
- 183. (0) VIS_o ≤ 1 3/8 * WDR_o SSE-SW * WSD_o 6-19
- 184. (2) VIS. 1-4 * WDR. SSE-SW * WSD. 6-19
- 185. (3) $VIS_o \le 2 \frac{1}{2} * WDR_o SW-W * WSD_o 6-19$
- 186. (1) VIS. \geq 5 * WDR. SW-W * WSD. \geq 10
- 187. (17) VIS. $\leq 4 * WDR$. WSW-NW * WSD. 6-19
- 188. (1) $VIS_o \ge 7 * WDR_o W-NW * WSD_o \ge 10$
- 189. (34) VIS. \geq 5 * WDR. W-N * WSD. \geq 6
- 190. (74) $CIG_o \le 400 * DPT_o \ge 60$
- 191. (54) $CIG_o \ge 1000 * DPT_o \le 59$
- 192. (13) $CIG_o \ge 2000 * DPT_o \le 39$
- 193. (10) VIS. $\leq 7/8 * DPT. \geq 60$
- 194. (20) VIS. $\geq 3 * DPT. \leq 39$
- 195. (5) $CIG_o \le 100 * RLH_o \ge 90$
- 196. (26) $G_{i}G_{o} \leq 400 * RLH_{o} \geq 80$
- 197. (48) CIG_o ≥ 2000 * RLH_o ≤ 69
- 193. (6) CIG. $500-900 * RLH_o \ge 80$
- 199. (2) CIG. 200-400 * RLH. > 80
- 200. (8) $VIS_o \le 3/8 * RLH_o \ge 95$
- 201. (3) VIS_o $\leq 7/8 * RLH_o \geq 90$
- 202. (1) VIS. $1/2-7/8 \times RLH_o \ge 80$
- 203. (4) VIS. 1-2 1/2 * RLH. ≥ 80
- 204. (0) VIS. 3-4 * RLH. ≤ 69
- 205. (33) VIS. \geq 5 * RLH. \leq 69
- 206. (9) $CIG_o \leq 100 * WEA_e F + GF$
- 207. (6) CIG. 200-400 * WEA. F + GF
- 208. (8) CIG. \leq 100 * WEA. S \div SW
- 209. (11) CIG. 200-400 * WEA. R + RW + L + S + SW
- 210. (5) CIG. 500-900 * WEA. S + SW

- 211. (6) CIG. 500-900 * WRA. R + RW + L + S + SW + ZR
- 212. (2) CIG. 1000-1900 * WEA. R + RW + ZR
- 213. (2) CIG. 1000-1900 * WEA. S + SW
- 214. (15) CIG. \geq 2000 * WEA. R + RW + S + SW
- 215. (32) CIG_o ≥ 2000 * WEA_o None
- 216. (8) $VIS_o \le 3/8 * WEA_o R + L + F$
- 217. (3) VIS. $\leq 3/8 * WEA. F + GF$
- 218. (7) VIS, $\leq 3/8 * WEA$, S + SW
- 219. (14) VIS. $\leq 7/8 * WEA. L + F$
- 220. (22) VIS. 1 3/8 * WEA. R + L + S + F
- 221. (12) VIS. 1/2-7/8 * WEA. R + L + S + F
- 222. (33) VIS. 1-2 1/2 * WEA. R + L + ZR + F
- 223. (7) VIS. 1-2 1/2 + WEA. S + SW
- 224. (7) VIS. 1-2 1/2 * WRA. R + RW + L + S + SW + ZR
- 225. (1) VIS. 3-4 * WRA. R + RW + L + ZR
- 226. (15) VIS. \leq 4 * WEA. R + RW + S \div SW
- 227. (20) VIS. $\leq 4 * WEA$, L + F + GF

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- 228. (1) VIS. \geq 5 * WEA. R + RW + L + S + SW + ZR
- 229. (3) CIG. $\leq 100 * WDR$, NNE-E * RLH. ≥ 90
- 230. (6) CIG. 200-400 * WDR. NNE-E * RLH. \geq 80
- 231. (15) GIG. 500-900 * WDR, NNE-ESE * RLH. ≥ 80
- 232. (95) CIG. 200-900 * WDR. NNE-ESF * RLH. ≥ 80
- 233. (38) GIG. \leq 900 * WDR. NNE-ESE * WSD. \leq 9 * RLH. \geq 90
- 234. (38) $G_{\odot} \leq 1900 * WDR_{\odot} E-SSE * RLH_{\odot} \geq 80$
- 235. (3) $CIG_o \le 1900 * WDR_o S-SW * RLH_o \le 69$
- 236. (13) CIG_o \geq 2000 * WDR_o S-SW * RLH_o \leq 69
- 237. (0) $CIG_o \le 1900 * WDR_o SSE-SW * RLH_o \ge 80$
- 238. (2) $CIG_o \le 1900 * WDR_o WSW-NW * RLH_o \le 79$
- 239. (4) $CIG_o \ge 2000 * WDR_o WSW-NW * RLH_o \le 69$
- 240. (2) VIS. < 3/8 * WDR. NNE-E * RLH. > 90
- 241. (16) VIS. $\leq 1 3/8 * WDR$, NNE-ESE * RLH. ≥ 80
- 242. (19) VIS. $\leq 1 3/8 * WDR. E-SSE * RLH. <math>\geq 90$
- 243. (2) VIS. 1/2-7/8 * WDR. E-SSE * RLH. ≥ 80
- 244. (7) VIS. 1-2 1/2 * WDR. E-SSE * RLH. ≥ 80

- 245. (0) VIS_o \leq 2 1/2 * WDR_o SSE-SW * RLH_o \geq 80
- 246. (14) VIS. \geq 5 * WDR. SW-W * RLH. \leq 79
- 247. (13) VIS_o \leq 4 * WDR, W-N * RLH_o \geq 70
- 248. (21) VIS. \geq 5 * WDR. W-N * RLH. \leq 69
- 249. (4) VIS. ≥ 7 * WDR. W-N * RLH. ≤ 49
- 250. (6) $CIG_o \le 400 * WSD_o \le 5 * RLH_o \ge 90$
- 251. (10) VIS. $\leq 7/8 * WSD. \leq 5 * RLH. \geq 90$
- 252. (4) $CIG_o \ge 2000 * VIS_o \ge 5 * (WSD_o \ge 20 + RLH_o \le 49)$
- 253. (1) CIG_o \leq 100 * WDR_o NNE-E * WEA_c L + F
- 254. (12) CIG. \leq 400 * WDR. NNE-E * WEA. R + RW + ZR
- 255. (5) CIG. \leq 400 * WDR. NNE-ESE * WEA. S + SW
- 256. (5) CIG. 500-900 * WDR. NNE-ESE * WEA. R + L + S + SW + F
- 257. (5) CIG. 1000-1900 * WDR. NNE-ESE * WEA. R + L + S + SW + F
- 258. (19) CIG, \leq 400 * WDR, NE-SE * WEA, R + L + S + F
- 259. (9) CIG. 500-900 * WDR. NE-SE * WEA. R + L + S + F
- 260. (7) CIG, \leq 400 * WDR, SSE-SW * WEA, R + L + S + F
- 261. (5) CIG. 500-900 * WDR. SSE-SW * WEA. R + L + S + F
- 262. (7) $CIG_o \le 1900 * WDR_o SW-NW * WEA_o R + RW + S + SW$
- 263. (3) CIG_o ≥ 2000 * WDR_o SW-NW * WEA_o None
- 264. (3) VIS_o \leq 3/8 * WDR_o NNE-E * WEA_o L + F
- 265. (10) VIS. \leq 7/8 * WDR. NNE-ESE * WEA. R + L + ZR + F
- 266. (23) VIS $_{\circ} \leq 7/8$ * WDR $_{\circ}$ NNE-ESE * WEA $_{\circ}$ S + SW
- 267. (5) VIS. 1/2-7/8 * WDR. NNE-ESE * WEA. R + L + S + ZR
- 268. (10) VIS. 1-2 1/2 * WDR. NNE-ESE * WEA. R + L + S + ZR
- 269. (94) $VIS_o \le 4 * WDR_o$ NE-SE * WEA, R + L + S + ZR
- 270. (12) VIS. \leq 2 1/2 * WDR. SSE-SW * WEA. R + L + S + ZR
- 271. (5) VIS. \geq 3 * WDR. SSE-SW * WEA. R + RW + S + SW
- 272. (18) VIS $_{\circ} \geq 5 * \text{WDR}_{\circ} \text{ S-W} * \text{WEA}_{\circ} \text{ None}$
- 273. (3) $VIS_o \le 4 * WDR_o SW-WNW * WEA_o R + RW + L + ZR$
- 274. (0) VIS, \leq 4 * WDR, SW-WNW * WEA, * WEA, S + SW
- 275. (6) VIS_o ≥ 5 * WDR_o W-N * WEA_o None
- 276. (24) CIG_o \leq 400 * WSD_o \leq 5 * WEA_o L + F + GF
- 277. (3) $CIG_o \le 100 * WSD_o \le 5 * WEA_o L + F + CF$
- 278. (2) $VIS_o \le 3/8 * WSD_o \le 5 * WEA_o L + F + GF$

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279. (14) VIS. \leq 7/8 * WSD. \leq 5 * WEA. L + F + GF
280. (23) TOD 2200-0500 * RLH<sub>2</sub> \geq 80 * ((WEA<sub>2</sub> R + RW) + (WEA<sub>1</sub> R + RW))
281. (2) CIG_o \le 4900 * WED_o \le 9 * REH_o \ge 90 * RLH_3 \le 79 * TCA_o > 9
282. (0) CIG. 1000-4900 * RLH_o \le 69 * WEA_o R + L
284. (112) TOD 1600-0100 * CIG. \leq 400 * (RLH. \geq 90 + WEA. L)
285. (23) TOD 1800-0300 * WSD<sub>o</sub> \leq 5 RLH<sub>o</sub> \geq 90 * TGA<sub>o</sub> < 1
286. (1) WDR_{-3} S-SW * WDR, WSW-NW * WEA, R + L
287. (0) WDR, ESE-SSW * WSD, \leq 5 * WEA<sub>-2</sub> None * WEA, R + L
288. (105) TOD 2200-0300 * RLH_{o} \leq 90 * WEA_{o} F + GF + H + K
289. (27) WEA _{2} R + RW + L * WEA F + GF
290. (1) VIS. \leq 4 * WDR, NE-S * WSD. 4-9 * ((DPT<sub>-3</sub> \leq 29
                * DPT<sub>3</sub> 30-39) + (DPT<sub>3</sub> 30-39 * DPT<sub>3</sub> 40-49) + (DPT<sub>3</sub> 40-59
                * DPT<sub>o</sub> 60-69) + (DPT<sub>-3</sub> 60-69 * DPT<sub>o</sub> \geq 70))
291. (7) VIS, \leq 4 * WDR, NE-S * WSD, 4-9
                * ((DBT<sub>-3</sub> \leq 29 * DBT<sub>0</sub> 35-44) + (DBT<sub>-3</sub> 21-34 + DBT<sub>0</sub> 35-54)
                + (DBT<sub>-3</sub> 35-44 * DBT<sub>0</sub> 45-64) + (DBT<sub>-3</sub> 45-54 * DBT<sub>0</sub> 55-74)
                + (DBT<sub>3</sub> 55-64 * DBT, 65-84)) * WEA<sub>o</sub> R + L
292. (0) ((WDR<sub>-3</sub> NNW-NNE * WDR<sub>\circ</sub> ENE-ESE) + (WDR<sub>-3</sub> NNE-ENE * WDR<sub>\circ</sub> ESE-SSE)
                + (WDR<sub>3</sub> ENE-E * WDR<sub>5</sub> SE-S)) * WSD<sub>6</sub> 4-9 * ((DPT<sub>3</sub> \leq 29
                * DPT<sub>0</sub> 30-39) + (DPT<sub>3</sub> 30-39 * DPT<sub>0</sub> 40-59) + (DPT<sub>3</sub> 40-59
                * DPT. 60-69) + (DPT. 60-69 * DPT. \geq 70))
                * ((SLP_3 \ge 1019.95 * SLP_0 1009.95-1019.95)
                + (SLP_3 1009.95-1019.95 * SLP_ 999.95-1009.95)
                + (SLP_3 999.95-1009.95 * SLP_0 \le 999.95))
293. (2) ((WDR_{-3} SSW-SW * WDR_{\circ} SE-SSE
               + (WDR_3 S-SSW * WDR, ESE-SE)
                + (WDR<sub>3</sub> SSE-S * WDR<sub>6</sub> E-ESE)
                + (WDR_3 SE-SSE * WDR, ENE-E)
                + (WDR<sub>3</sub> ESE-SE * WDR, NE-ENE))
                * WSD, 4-19 * RLH, \geq 70
               * ((SLP_3 \ge 1024.95 * SLP_0 \le 1024.95)
                + (SLP_3 \ge 1019.95 * SLP. 1009.95-1019.95)
               + (SLP_3 999.95-1009.95 * SLP_6 \le 999.95))
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- 295. (0) CIG_{-1} 500-900 * $CIG_{\circ} \le 400$
- 296. (0) CIG_{-1} 1009-1900 * $CIG_{\circ} \le 900$
- 297. (2) $CIG_{-1} \ge 2000 * CIG_{0} 1000-1900$
- 298, (1) CIG_{-3} 500-1900 * $CIG_{\circ} \le 400$
- 299. (0) CIG_{-3} 1000-1900 * $\text{CIG}_{\circ} \leq 900$
- 300. (39) $\text{CIG}_{-3} \ge 2000 * \text{CIG}_{\circ} \le 1900$
- 301. (1) $VIS_{-1} = 1-4 * VIS_{\circ} \le 7/8$
- 302. (3) VIS_{-1} 1-4 * $VIS_{\circ} \le 1$ 3/8
- 303. (7) $VIS_{-3} \ge 3 * VIS_{\circ} \le 1 3/8$
- 304. (1) $VIS_{-3} \ge 1 \frac{1}{2} * VIS_{\circ} \le \frac{7}{8}$
- 305. (12) $VIS_{-3} \ge 5 * VIS_{0} \le 2 \frac{1}{2}$
- 306. (0) $VIS_{-3} \ge 5 * VIS_{\cdot} 4 * WSD_{-3} 6-19$ * $WSD_{\circ} \le 5 * RLH_{-3} \le 79 * RLH_{\circ} \ge 80$
- 307. (2) $VIS_{-3} \ge 3 * VIS_{\circ} \le 2 \frac{1}{2} * WSD_{-3} 4-9 * WSD_{\circ} \le 5$ * $RLH_{-3} \le 79 * RLH_{\circ} \ge 80$
- 308. (0) WDR_o SSE-WSW * WSD₋₃ \leq 9 * WSD_o \geq 10 * ((SLP₋₃ \geq 1009.95 * SLP_o \leq 1009.95 + (SLP₋₃ \geq 999.95 * SLP_o \leq 999.95))
- 309. (34) $WSD_o \le 9 * RLH_o \ge 70 * WEA_o R + RW + L + ZR$
- 310. (11) WSD, \leq 19 * RLH, \geq 80 * WEA, S + SW
- 311. (17) $CIG_o \leq 900 * VIS_o \leq 2 \frac{1}{2}$
- 312. (17) CIG_o \leq 900 * WDR_o SE-SSW * RLH_o \geq 80
- 313. (9) CIG. \leq 900 * WDR. SSW-WSW * RLH. \geq 80
- 314. (8) $CIG_o \le 1900 * WDR_o WNW-N * RLH_o \ge 80$
- 315. (71) WDR. NE-SE * SCL. 4-7
- 316. (12) WDR. SE-SW * SCL. 4-7
- 317. (24) WDR, NW-NNE * SCL, 4-7
- 318. (4) $CIG_o \le 1900 * WDR_o W-N * WEA_o S + SW$
- 319. (3) $CIG_o \leq 1900 * WDR_o W-N * WEA_o R + RW + L + ZR$
- 320. (9) VIS, \leq 4 * WDR, W-N * WEA, S + SW
- 321. (0) VIS_o \leq 4 * WDR_o W-N * WEA_o R + RW + L + ZR
- 322. (3) $CIG_{-3} \le 400 * CIG_{\circ} \ge 500$
- 323. (1) $CIG_{-3} \le 400 * CIG_{\circ} \ge 1000$
- 324. (2) $VIS_{-3} \le 7/8 * VIS_{\circ} \ge 1 1/2$

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325. (8) VIS_{-3} \le 1 3/8 * VIS_0 \ge 1 1/2
326. (2) VIS_{-3} \le 1 3/8 * VIS_{\circ} \ge 3
327. (0) WDR_3 SSW-W * WDR. ESE-S
                 * ((DPT<sub>3</sub> \leq 29 * DPT<sub>o</sub> \geq 30) + (DPT<sub>3</sub> 30-39
                 * DPT<sub>o</sub> \geq 40) + (DPT<sub>3</sub> 40-59 * DPT<sub>o</sub> \geq 60)
                + (DPT<sub>3</sub> 60-69 * DPT_o \ge 70) * TCA_o \ge 6)
328. (0) WDR_3 NW-NNE * WDR, NE-ESE
                 * ((DPT_3 \le 29 * DPT_0 \ge 30) + (DPT_3 30-39)
                 * DPT<sub>o</sub> \geq 40) + (DPT<sub>g</sub> 40-59 * DPT<sub>o</sub> \geq 60)
                 + (DPT<sub>3</sub> 60-69 * DPT<sub>5</sub> \geq 70)) * TCA<sub>5</sub> \geq 6
329. (0) WDR<sub>3</sub> NW-N * WDR<sub>0</sub> NNE-E
                 * WEA___ None * WEA_ R + L + ZR + S
330. (3) WDR_3 SSE-SW * WDR, NE-ESE
                 * WEA_{-2} None * WEA_{\circ} R + L + ZR + S
331. (3) ((CIG_3 \le 400 * CIG_0 \ge 500) + (VIS_3 \le 7/8)
                 * VIS_o \ge 1 1/2) * ((RLH<sub>3</sub> \ge 90 * RLH<sub>o</sub> \le 89)
                 + (WSD_{-3} \le 5 * WSD_{\circ} \ge 6))
332. (13) CIG<sub>a</sub> < 1900
333. (6) VIS_o \le 4
334. (23) (DOY 261-80 * ((TOD 02-05 * ((VIS<sub>3</sub> \geq 5
                 * VIS_{-1} \le 4 * VIS_{\circ} \le 1 3/8) + (VIS_{-3} \ 1 \ 1/2-6
                 * VIS_{-1} 1-4 * VIS_{\circ} \le 2 \frac{1}{2} + VIS_{\circ} \le \frac{3}{8})
                 + (TOD 22-01 * ((VIS<sub>-3</sub> \geq 5 * VIS<sub>-1</sub> \leq 2 1/2
                 * VIS_o \le 1 \ 3/8) + (VIS_{-3} \ 1-4 * VIS_o \le 1 \ 3/8)
                 + VIS_o \leq 3/8))))
                 + (DOY 81-260 * ((TOD 02-05 * ((VIS<sub>-1</sub> \leq 2 1/2
                 * VIS_o \le 1 3/8) + VIS_o \le 3/8)
                 + (TOD 22-01 * ((VIS<sub>-1</sub> \leq 1 3/8 * VIS<sub>o</sub> \leq 1 3/8)
                 + yIS_o \le 3/8))) + (TOD 18-21 * VIS_o \le 3/8)
335. (3) (DOY 261-80 * ((TOD 04-09 * ((VIS<sub>-3</sub> \geq 5
                 * VIS_{-1} \le 4 * VIS_{0} \le 1 3/8) + (VIS_{-3} 1 1/2-6 * VIS_{-1} 1-4)
                 * VIS_{\bullet} \le 2 \frac{1}{2} + VIS_{\bullet} \le \frac{3}{8} + (TOD 00-05)
                 * ((VIS<sub>-3</sub> \geq 5 * VIS<sub>-1</sub> \leq 2 1/2 * VIS<sub>o</sub> \leq 1 3/8)
                 + (VIS_3 1-4 * VIS_6 \le 1 3/8) + VIS_6 \le 3/8))))
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+ (DOY 81-260 * ((TOD 04-09 * ((VIS<sub>-1</sub> \leq 2 1/2
                   * VIS_o \le 1 \ 3/8) + VIS_o \le 3/8)) + (TOD 00-05)
                   * ((VIS_{-1} \le 1 \ 3/8 \ * \ VIS_{\circ} \le 1 \ 3/8) + VIS_{\circ} \le 3/8))))
                   + (TOD 20-01 * VIS_{\circ} \leq 3/8)
               (DOY 261-80 * ((TOD 02-05 * ((CIG<sub>-3</sub> \geq 2000
                  * CIG_{-1} \le 1900 * CIG_{0} \le 400) + (CIG_{-3} 1000-4900)
                  * CIG_{-1} 500-1900 * CIG_{\circ} \le 900) + CIG_{\circ} \le 100))
                  + (TOD 22-01 * ((CIG<sub>-3</sub> \geq 2000 * CIG<sub>-1</sub> \leq 900
                  * CIG_o \le 400) + (CIG_{-3} 500-1900 * CIG_o \le 400)
                  + CIG_{\circ} \leq 100))))
                  + (DOY 81-260 * ((TOD 02-05 * ((CIG<sub>-1</sub> \leq 900
                  * CIG<sub>o</sub> \leq 400) + CIG<sub>o</sub> \leq 100)) + (TOD 22-01
                  * ((CIG_{-1} \le 400 * CIG_{0} \le 400) + CIG_{0} \le 100)))
                 + (TOD 18-21 * CIG_o \leq 100)
337. (28) (DOY 261-80 * ((TOD 04-09 * ((CIG<sub>-3</sub> \geq 2000
                 * CIG_{1} \le 1900 * CIG_{2} \le 400) + (CIG_{3} 1000-4900)
                 * CIG_{-1} 500-2900 * CIG_{\circ} \leq 900) + CIG_{\circ} \leq 100))
                 + (TOD 00-05 * ((CIG<sub>-3</sub> \geq 2000 * CIG<sub>-1</sub> \leq 900
                 * CIG_{\circ} \leq 400) + (CIG_{-3} 500-1900 * CIG_{\circ} \leq 400)
                 + CIG_o \leq 100))))
                 + (DOY 81-260 * ((TOD 04-09 * ((CIG<sub>-1</sub> \leq 900
                 * CIG_{\circ} \leq 400) + CIG_{\circ} \leq 100)) + (TOD 00-05
                 * ((CIG<sub>-1</sub> \leq 400 * CIG<sub>o</sub> \leq 400) + CIG<sub>o</sub> \leq 100))))
                 + (TOD 20-01 * CIG_o \le 100)
338. (14) ((DOY 261-80 * ((TOD 02-05 * ((VIS<sub>-3</sub> \geq 5
                 * VIS_{-1} \le 4 * VIS_{\circ} \le 1 3/8) + (VIS_{-3} 1 1/2-6)
                * VIS_{-1} 1-4 * VIS_{\circ} \le 2 \frac{1}{2} + VIS_{\circ} \le \frac{3}{8}
                + (TOD 22-01 * ((VIS<sub>-3</sub> \geq 5 * VIS<sub>-1</sub> \leq 2 1/2
                * VIS_{\bullet} \le 1 \ 3/8) + VIS_{-3} \ 1-4 * VIS_{\bullet} \le 1 \ 3/8
                + VIS_o \le 3/8)))) + (DOY 81-260)
                * ((TOD 02-05 * ((VIS<sub>-1</sub> \leq 2 1/2 * VIS<sub>o</sub> \leq 1 3/8)
                + VIS<sub>o</sub> \leq 3/8)) + (TOD 22-01 * ((VIS<sub>-1</sub> \leq 1 3/8
                * VIS_o \le 1 \ 3/8) + VIS_o \le 3/8)))) + (TOE 18-21)
                * VIS_o \le 3/8)) * ((DOY 261-80
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* ((TOD 02-05 * ((CIG<sub>-3</sub> \geq 3000 * CIG<sub>-1</sub> \leq 1900
                 * CIG. \leq 400) + (CIG. 1000-4900 * GIG. 500-2900
                 * CIG<sub>o</sub> 900) + CIG<sub>o</sub> \leq 100)) + (TOD 22-01
                 * ((CIG_{-3} \ge 3000 * CIG_{-1} \le 900 * CIG_{\circ} \le 400)
                 + (CIG_{3} 500-2900 * CIG_{6} \le 400) + CIG_{6} \le 100))))
                + (DOY 81-260 * ((TOD 02-05 * ((CIG<sub>-1</sub> \leq 900
                 * CIG_o \le 400) + CIG_o \le 100)) + (TOD 22-01
                * ((CIG_{-1} \le 400 * CIG_{\circ} \le 400) + CIG_{\circ} \le 100))))
                + (TOD 18-21 * CIG_o \le 100))
339. (7) ((DOY 261-80 * ((TOD 04-09 * ((VIS<sub>-3</sub> \geq 5
                * VIS_{-1} \le 4 * VIS_{\circ} \le 1 3/8) + (VIS_{-3} \ 1 \ 1/2-6 * VIS_{-1} \ 1-4
                * VIS_o \le 2 \ 1/2) + VIS_o \le 3/8)) + (TOD 00-05)
                * ((VIS<sub>-3</sub> \geq 5 * VIS<sub>-1</sub> \leq 2 1/2 * VIS<sub>o</sub> \leq 1 3/8)
                + (VIS_3 1-4 * VIS_0 \le 1 3/8) + VIS_0 \le 3/8))))
                + (DOY 81-260 * ((TOD 04-09 * ((VIS<sub>-1</sub> \leq 2 1/2
                * VIS_o \le 1 3/8) + VIS_o \le 3/8)) + (TOD 00-05
                * ((VIS_{-1} \le 1 \ 3/8 \ * \ VIS_{\circ} \le 1 \ 3/8) + VIS_{\circ} \le 3/8))))
                + (TOD 20-01 * VIS_{\circ} \leq 3/8))
                * ((DOY 261-80 * ((TOD 04-09 * ((CIG<sub>-3</sub> \geq 3000
                * CIG_{-1} \le 1900 * CIG_{\circ} \le 400) + (CIG_{-3} 1000-4900)
                * CIG_{-1} 500-2900 * CIG_{\circ} \leq 900) + CIG_{\circ} \leq 100))
                + (TOD 00-05 * ((CIG<sub>-3</sub> \geq 3000 * CIG<sub>-1</sub> \leq 900
                * CIG<sub>o</sub> \leq 400) + (CIG<sub>g</sub> 500-2900 * GIG<sub>o</sub> \leq 400)
                + CIG_o \le 100))) + (DOY 81-260 * ((TOD 04-09)))
                * ((CIG_{1} \le 900 * CIG_{0} \le 400) + CIG_{0} \le 100))
               + (TOD 00-05 * ((CIG<sub>-1</sub> \leq 400 * CIG<sub>o</sub> \leq 400)
               + CIG_o \le 100))) + (TOD 20-01 * CIG_o \le 100))
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APPENDIX B

PERIODS OF RECORD OF DEPENDENT DATA

This appendix lists the period of record of the data base used to derive prediction equations for each terminal. All dates shown are inclusive.

STATIONS IN CONTERMINOUS U. S.

<u>Terminal</u>	Period of Record
1. Albany, N. Y.	January 1955 - December 1964
2. Atlanta, Ga.	January 1955 - December 1964
3. Baltimore, Md.	January 1955 - December 1964
4. Buffalo, N. Y.	January 1955 - December 1964
5. Nashville, Tenn.	January 1955 - December 1964
6. Boston, Mass.	January 1935 - December 1964
7. Birmingham, Ala.	January 1955 - December 1964
8. Cleveland, Ohio	Tanuary 1955 - December 1964
9. Cincinnati, Ohio	January 1955 - December 1964
10. Washington, D. C.	January 1955 - December 1964
11. New York (Kennedy), N. Y.	January 1955 - December 1964
12. New Orleans, La.	January 1955 - December . 1964
13. Chicago (Midway), Ill.	January 1955 - December 1964
14. Pittsburgh, Pa.	January 1955 - December 1964
15. Raleigh-Durham, N. C.	January 1955 - December 1964
16. Savannah, Ga.	January 1955 - December 1964
17. St. Louis, Mo.	January 1955 - December 1964
18. Louisville, Ky.	January 1955 - December 1964
19. Tallahassee, Fla.	January 1955 - December 1964
20. Knoxville, Tenn.	January 1955 - December 1964
21. Bedford, Mass.	January 1955 - December 1964
22. Jackson (Hawkins Field), Miss.	July 1953 - June 1963
23. Greenville, S. C.	November 1952 - October 1962
24. Middleton, Pa.	January 1955 - December 1964
25. Hoses Lake, Wash.	January 1955 - December 1964
26. Spartanburg, S. C.	January 1948 - December 1951 January 1960 - December 1961
27. Idaho Falls, Id.	January 1948 - December 1954

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STATIONS IN ALPSKA

	<u>Terminal</u>	Period of Record
1.	Anchorage	January 1955 - December 1964
2.	Fairbanks	January 1955 - December 1964
3.	Juneau	January 1955 - December 1964
4.	King Salmon	January 1956 - December 1964
5.	Annette	January 1955 - December 1964
6.	Cold Bay	July 1955 - December 1964
7.	Sitka	January 1954 - December 1963
8.	Yakutat	January 1954 - July 1960
9.	Cordova	January 1956 - December 1964
10.	Bethe1	January 1955 - December 1964
11.	Nome	January 1955 - December 1964
12.	Kotzebue	January 1955 - December 1964
13.	McGrath	January 1955 - December 1964
14.	Barrow	January 1955 - December 1964
15.	Unalakleet	January 1952 - December 1961
16.	Northway	January 1952 - December 1954 January 1958 - December 1964
17.	Bettles	January 1955 - December 1964
18.	Kenai	January 1955 - December 1964
19.	Shemya	September 1959 - December 1964
20.	Kodiak	January 1955 - December 1964
21.	Barter Island	January 1957 - December 1964
22.	Adak	January 1955 - December 1964
23.	Summit	January 1951 - December 1960

APPENDIX C

ORDER OF SELECTION OF PREDICTORS BY TERMINAL

This appendix lists the predictors in their order of selection in each of the 10 equations for the 20 terminals identified in Table 1(a). The projection times are in hours, and the predictors are identified by number as given in Appendix A.

			SAVANI	NAH, GE	ORGIA							
ELEMENT		ÇE1	TLING				VISIBILITY EQUATIONS					
PROJECTION			10	13	16	4		10_	13	16		
TERM												
1	5	5	5	73	73	17	17	36	36			
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. 3	196	284	73	82	82	288	284	75	73	23		
4	82	73	232	315	315	269	36	73	81	7:		
5	284	232	284	103	33	61	205	269	263	14		
£		288	29	8	-\$	92	81	153	108	10		
7	232	2¢	197	66	66	146	288	131	72	18		
8	73	254	115	33	103	285	92	284	109	12		
9	288	61	36	284	109	232	285	59	149	8		
10	1 90	172	172	197	254	110	86	115	192	6		
11	110	258	8	141	98	222	139	189	269	32		
12	172	8	269	254	44	36	113	155	61	10		
13	8	190	33	108	36	161	269	81	86	31		
14	258	—€	141	98	-289 -	205	153	86	288	9		
15	289	115	280	189	257	243	85	114	6	19		
16	88	95	66	262	217	61	289	109	€4	10		
17	107	289	300	289	291	244	263	192	150	5		
18 -	300	311	155	36	149	115	239	- 113 -	141	-21		
19	144	192	110	29	252	86	192	118	118	9		
20	29	141	77	114	141	139	242	139	137	25		
21	138	114	109	257	99	150	115	137	145	22		
55	211	33	99	335	235	103	123	- 122 -	189	6		
23	161	197	103	134	137	26	148	64	33	4		
24	212	129	315	118	334	148	142	198	89	3		
25	334	155	192	192	286	93	64	165	112	7		
26	269	113	-311-	286	 289	165	186	88	337	10		
27	98	106	190	156	284	190	114	145	254	13		
28 -	∩34	234	165	145	196	122	155	205	186	28		
29	267	15€	105	123	114	194	190	85	146	10		
30	238	288	262	148	-148-	142		148	-114-	- 5		

ELEMENT		EQU	LLING TIONS				VISI EQU	HILITY	,	
PROJECTION	4	7	10	13	16	4	7	10	13	16
TERF						· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
			8-	8					232	13
2	338	284	232	73	73	13	284	284	105	109
3	196	73	73	232	232	288	232	56	75	73
-4	198	82	284	109	109	232	288	205	17	325
<u></u>						92-	205	170		
6	8	231	109	82	159	61	56	115	194	232
7	82	258	39	36	325	284	234	232	189	236
8	285	288	205	108	36	56	92	113	115	 56
-9		-112-	-112-	355			115	275	121	194
10	73	39	56	112	97	234	59	105	145	220
11	251	205	110	57	194	82	113	127	122	334
12	61	5€	115	56	56	93	82	121	36	108
13		-115	-150 -	-103-	- 103	110	-189	-194 -		- 97
14	190	105	170	121	108	146	95	86	325	148
15	300	338	103	194	65	205	194	15[114	65
16	112	64	64	170	338	150	242	114	उट	46
-17		-155-	33-	197-		330	34	95	103	103
18	334	170	194	33	300	86	86	157	32	323
19	150	66	5	284	317	102	150	73	157	276
20	144	83	66	38	91	62	93	317	112	170
21	110	95-	-38-	40		193	106	_112_	127	95
22	90	300	300	222	322	196	73	242	57	123
23	64	151	244	141	117	285	285	213	170	268
24	169	106	114	142	89	209	233	122	155	86
- 25	311	- 242-	48	_127_		106	122	-318-	141_	284
26	66	194	315	145	57	91	209	222	268	109
27	56	33	106	233	40	223	317	38	241	107
28	58	8¢	131	-66	110	115	91	210	104	104
29		138	- 523	- 715 -	-364	114	334_	94	55-	113
30	269	190	151	115	233	144	108	233	191	50

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ELEMENT		E CU	ILING TIONS				VISIBILITY EQUATIONS					
PROJECTION	4	7	10	13	16	4	7	10	13	16		
TERH												
4			73	7.7			-75	73_	7.3			
2	196	82	82	82	315	288	269	269	266	315		
3	82	73	232	315	82	82	284	75	142	142		
4	61	284	8		8	219	197	111	315	2. 85.		
-5	3-	61-	36-	66	66		73	-36	- 75 -	74-		
6	284	315	284	36	64	268	134	289	163	64		
7	231	288	197	232	74	92	36	252	36	269		
8	73	535	141	103	269	284	288	141	£3	-86		
9		_141_		74	36	315	-82	191	788	66-		
10	190	197	111	141	33	134	159	29	157	98		
11	8	8	190	64	143	215	231	103	64	149		
12	172	66	191	198	49	269	141	140	230	109		
_13	359	33	-289-	-284		146	190	_137_	190	103		
14	233	172	315	280	39	333	61	121	- 65	91		
15	138	190	66	33	289	103	103	197	141	189		
16	60	6	140	124	190	285	315	123	140	232		
17	332	140	123	87	232	73	64-	45	121	61		
18	29	123	39	289	121	113	140	64	252	73		
19	39	36	49	39	137	221	112	284	137	105		
20	36	269	246	121	288	62	191	190	1¢1	209		
- 21		35	313	57-	159	135_	- 90	241		36_		
22	110	332	280	137	104	140	123	315	123	289		
23	334	306	309	140	141	172	86	157	145	288		
24	197	159	64	191	189	229	289	309	48	117		
25		107-	103	123	140	159_	_125_	135	_302_	233_		
26	103	255	112	172	ç8	141	92	271	335	188		
27	89	139	269	102	3.00	76	172	335	219	312		
28	218	29	74	49	293	289	143	145	124	181		
-29		- 115		288-	101	36	300	-148-	_112_	254		
30	289	137	55	167	167	232	148	99	207	337		

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ELEMENT		CE1	LING				VISIBILITY EQUATIONS					
PROJECTION	4	7	10	13	16	4	7	10	13	16		
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1		~		73 -	- 73		1 7	-215	-215 -	7.3		
2	85	82 .	82	315	315	92	5	315	36	17		
3	82	315	315	82	36	5	92	13	73	36		
4	195	55	36	36	82	159	205	176	153	- 64		
5		-170 -	2. 3		64	16-	315	135	13	105		
6		73	232	64	232	197	139	73	_ £4	148		
7	144	197	197	232	189	13	284	36	139	176		
8	58	269	317	189	34	315	269	122	176	~ 1 3 9		
9		-~5 4 <i>4</i>	-441	141	137	338	-288-	269	315	134		
10	284	138	126	98	16	288	91	64	49	232		
11	7	3 <i>€</i>	64	170	8	14	189	153	118	118		
12	263	175	33	66	66	140	:45	284	137	¯ 96		
13			-227	137	-139	284	_2 ; `-	91	-122-	32		
14		7	170	59	96		73	94	222	147		
15	53	258	284	34	233	145	3ó	140	247	46		
16	172	33	269	55	105	101	14?	- 56	147	··· 16		
17		232	-312-	191	57		175	- 535	30 <u>ç</u>	-115		
18	129	141	257	_33	147	91	172	88	115	142		
19	33	77	140	316	63	147	49	261	96	63		
20	288	156	55	126	55	264	94	49	284	326		
21	138	-115-	- 191		169	219	-64	175	94_	82		
22	190	126	262	115	118	285	82	118	130	90		
23	81	262	196	105	136	187	16	126	252	61		
24	32	309	88	91	74	228	115	115-	95	72		
25		317	- 112	555	317	76	134	281:		42		
26	ę2	55	130	224	170	82	113	15	138	319		
27	369	191	309	130	326	175	8.8	82	12	122		
28	261	64	233	140	310	78	247	172	108	127		
29	39	90	- 246	57	108		-153	203	87_			
30	115	34	90	249	172	176	157	137	172	108		

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ELEHENT		CE:	ILING ATTOMS				VISIBILITY EQUATIONS					
PROJECTION	4	7	10	13	16	4	7	10	13	16		
TERP									,			
1		5	73	73	73		25	45	73	73		
2	206	82	58	170	170	206	269	73	269	269		
3	61	284	170	82	275	232	181	234	36	36		
4	258	73	241	275	269	82	284	241	180	18:		
5		-241-	275	241	107	93	7.3	33	232	103		
6	334	61_	284	103	33	61	61	284	214	. 15		
7	73	170	232	33	74	113	170	190	103	109		
8	1.3	232	102	141	265	241	T90	205	110	79		
9	284	141	141	74	109	244	159	441	449	. 64		
10	232	197	197	232	143	13	232	64	190	6		
11	180	275	103	102	82	170	288	232	258	3		
12	193	190	123	317	137	181	110	189	64	28		
13	60	288	190	123	_317_		92	102	141 -	3		
14	197	158	64	190	98	190	81	103	137	19		
15	90	103	36	258	64	197	205	181	252	19		
16	280	123	148	137	39	196	141	214	121	23		
17	242	-110-	74	64	36_	276	175	_ 123_	_ 147.	18		
18	92	€4	317	192	280	75	107	269	123	17		
19	113	149	112	121	232	187	64	36	170	22		
20	138	33	140	148	141	93	36	17-	148	14		
21	103	-231	- 93	147	337	141	140	140_	99	13		
22	36	88	33	142	195	140	241	175	111	10		
23	8	247	61	36	252	107	103	148	33	4		
24	55	99	234	337	151	301	95	112	95	9		
25	191	_142_	87	_197_	147_	315	_144_	337_	106-	10		
26	288	102	319	140	214	62	112	150	98	33		
27	175	248	142	99	105	144	155	137	108			
28	114	72	39	111	193	111	193	121	155	8:		
29	231	226	180		45	175	160	97.	175	14		
30	195	140	66	284	123	102	139	158	205	6.		

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ROJECTION	4	7	10	13	16	4	7	10	13	16
TERM "									-	
i			73	73	73		85	-215-	73	7.
2	196	82	82	82	82	278	197	73	75	23
3	82	73	234	234	170	215	288	61	232	7
4	338	284		39	39		73	259-	153	10
5	198	170		585-	- 585		7	-113	113	5
6	73	61	232	170	109	92	75	141	127	14
7	61	232	197	109	74	146	93	58	142	6
8	288	272	141	- 57	121	288	92	284	62	8
9	170	50 -	-284-	141	50			123	- 102-	12
10	92	141	123	121	33	160	285	10€	16€	22
11	284	113	289	192	57	13	269	91	50	33
12	146	123	112	137	137	58	8¢ .	232	242	10
13	58	-138	192-	- 123 -	141	266	135	82	- 234 -	. 43
14	272	88	50	102	192	132	141	53	49	23
15	90	289	170	289	145	113	106	140	121	26
16	206	36	113	74	317	196	95	86	-57	•
17	289-	312-	-121	33	108	268	175	153	115_	24
18	26	_ 5 C	272	50	234	55	227	234	141	ı
19	259	8	36	145	272	191	61	310	65	
20	50	ĒĒ	148	272	36	175	265	- 89-	122	14
21	132	95	-142	197	49	216	140_	148	437	14
22	88	192	66	35	220	83	87	121	46	10
23	112	142	312	112	38	185	284	115	145	25
24	175	288	106	103	269		234	88	99	2!
25	198-	103	175	142	120	86-	- 553	175	148_	
26	8	151	140	66	118	73	134	143	325	1
27	67	112	134	140	8	26	156	137	:5	1
28	250	175	145	148	300	208	219	-5E	156	,

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ELEPENT		ECU	LING ATIONS				VIS:	BILITY	1	
FROJECTION	4	7	10	13	16	4	7	10	13	16
TERM									·: • •	
1		5_		73	73	13_	17	75	7.3	73
2	82	82	73_	82	82	61	58	269	269	17
3	279	73	5	5	5	334	82	73	153	142
4	.311.	288	286	289	232	222	288	-139 ·	777	269
5		-146-	-269	64	105		139	205	-142	- 105
6	288	311	64	300	222	288	222	153	139	149
7	146	8	205	115	115	146	269	222	44	315
8	61	58	103	569	64	221	146	91	118	64
9		232	-141-		74	205	-245	44	-134	82
10	232	64	8	141	218	279	91	115	122	139
11	300	300	115	123	112	197	115	1,25	252	134
12	73	49	302	118	139	82	92	82	_309	118
13	43	59	95	54	-118	93	245	_167_	145	44
14	310	112	233	137	137	230	258	252	99	147
15	132	90	300	88	252	139	134	118	315	167
16	89	284	266	103	103	273	145	148	300	193
17		-265		-140-	122	115	73-	48	-144-	- 48
18	67	280	155	266	289	159	220	246	48	8
19	110	115	89	112	190	101	94	134	€4	104
20	49	305	112	108	175	135	273	94	115	300
21	64-	_175_	98		145		-156-	300	_222_	27.
22	85	190	175	96	48	27	221	92	85	122
23	266	138	123	156	266	226	85	54	266	85
24	7	91	156	293	3, 5	305	122	99	_103	Z 22
25	309	107	-280-	74_	12	48	175	86	_125_	_115
26	297	93	222	170	104	16	148	103	41	266
27	59	222	312	155	98	148	138	288	81	72
28	90	208	190	555	309	185	113	35	- 51	-127
29	222	-135-	-153-	_187_	63	122	27	15E_	_233_	_194
30	93	310	66	76	167	106	129	143	102	192

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ELEMENT		CE:	ILING ATIONS				VISIBILITY				
PROJECTION	4	7	10	13	16	4	7	10	13	16	
TERM											
1		~ _		73	73 -	13	17	75	75	73	
2	196	82	73	7	82	288	. 82	7	73	17	
3	82	73	82	82	7	278	288	73	233	109	
4	219	233	233		109	75	197	269	142	233	
5		62	-288	- 233	39		233-	115	- 83-	142	
6	8	284	103	115	215	61	73_	139	115	108	
7	61	288	115	64	108	221	111	122	109	149	
8	284	7	64	~ ī19~	36	334	198	87	157	82	
9			62	189	-233-	162-	139	389 .	315	315	
10	160	269	8	141	64	87	311	118	87	72	
11	73	205	138	215	284	140	115	284	222	311	
12	5 8	64	269	175	74	146	285	315	190	190	
13	v s	115-	155	-284-	55_	93	269-	. -193 -	-118	99	
14	10	90	123	103	191	135	92	153	139	46	
15	. 9	300	39	39	175	2 * 5	122	205	46	28	
16	132	309	"30 <u>"</u> 0	122	112	309	190	137	134	115	
17		55-	284	65-	121-		284-	48	108	114	
18	310	191	175	190	141	193	62	148	196	6€	
19	146	111	139	276	122	226	86	175	57	7	
20	67	276	58	121	53	115	276	103	145	36	
21		155	190-	36	134		94	145	- 48	206	
22	214	138	7	58_	145	60	148	99_	122	211	
53	90	39	276	134	57	280	121	138	28	235	
24	312	298	337	140	98	150	~ ~ 99 -	- 36-	268	55	
25	150	. 56 š	284-	53	265	134	247	233_	138	292	
26	254	123	72	145	281	91	225	155	117	318	
27	112	66	55	337	291	284	155	208	65	į	
28	62	102	191	55	199	269	46	- 57	337	337	
29		-318-	121	191	-317	247	143	276	276	276	

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PROJECTION	4	7	10	13	16	4	7	10	13	10
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1		5		5	73				17	- 17
2	196	73	73	73	7	279	234	170	73	73
3	7	258	234	170	170	215	113	73	36	36
4	73		82	82	82	550	197	·· 242	311	105
5			-254	175	49	203	276	_311	<u>1.63.</u> .	. 265
6	82	234	17	49	86	288	75	91	139	5
7	146	58	175	258	64	113	242	189	46	175
8	284	232	110	86	109	170	T39	-113	170	91
9	269	154	170	300	189	92		103	122	-139
10	58	138	138	103	5	267	36	139	134	137
11	110	175	103	64	175	58	91	197	121	121
12	288	- 8	49	254	300	242	154	36	113	- 46
13		_113_	54-	138		154	288	266	242	103
14	234	288	300	65	55	146	73	276	145	270
15	279	86	242	33	191	35	189	49	252	315
16	258	107	64	98	121	269	103	8E	35.	177
17	175	209	-155-	197	232	26	86	222	148	- 115
18	138	27€	86	139	103	89	267	339	55	266
19	213	170	231	121	57	265	269	175	265	164
20	300	<u>ôè</u>	95	123	139	140	. 265 .		SEE	86
21	59	64-	_227_	137	_137	175-	248	186	17E	- 222
22	190	300	65	189	112	7	49	138	205	251
23	90	219	139	112	36	49	2€	190	161	136
24	55	222	154	234	197	86	140	218	-IIE	123
25	15t-	151	_198	143		114	111	154	254	-147
26	208	4 Ç	123	145	63 '	73	209	234	176	209
27	112	17	254	63	84	276	270	169	86	170
28	232	103	284	148	242	285	35	248	191"	-304
29		242	-181	_190_	222	201	170	121	7_	3
30	114	190	112	284	279	91	190	137	112	84

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1 .		_~-5-	- 73	73 -	7-3-		3 13	75	75	75
2	196	73	_ 5	82	48		9 215	73	73	73
3	73	6	64	48	82	21	5 159	13	48	53
4	• 1	64	48	- 64	- '49	· 1	6 73	95	13	45
5	3-	269	82	49	64	33	848	-48-	- 45	13
6	214	4.6	284	189	315	. 7	8 269	87	وج	87
7	284	85	49	63	189	28	8 288	55	87	315
8	85	124	269	232	63	1	3 124	269	€3	63
9		82	63	170-	- 227		084	155	84	105
10	48	49	189	227	170	26	9 45	139	315	95
11	165	232	227	102	74	28	4 95	63	55	112
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14	172	233	246	265	246	284	139	170	247	258
15	176	175	248	49	175	176	242	242	233	37
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11	206	234	155	39	82	102	168	129	115	115
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26	144	33	316	55	284	226	191	337	105	284
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7	258	73	143	56	325	110	92	109	236	269
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9	73	56	141	-315 -	56	93	-115	3#	115	97
10	39	38	123	272	194	285	38	115	121	194
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22	83	312	269	236	121	115	289	143	209	32
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6	269	219	58	49	39	222	139	32	309	105
7	288	64	78	78	315	197	288	252	153	139
8	284	58	232	250	159	146	73	122	142	115
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10	8	78	141	141	121	269	32	81	81	44
11	334	269	110	57	175	201	266	190	175	118
12	58	8	170	175	190	87	113	91	118	137
13	82		288	190	_141	93				
14	318	113	123	284	137	276	250	148	28	86
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25	231	- 380-		-214	336	285	102	_175_	85	110
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2	6	315	315	36	36	6_	6	17	215	21
3	82	82	73	33	315	197	197	176	36	64
4	535	6	36	5	176	13	13	6	39	142
5		58	42	149		14	-288-	139	227	_ 73
6	195	36	58	315	64	11	190	64_	64	105
7	170	73	33	64	7	78	266	73	73	36
8	58	232	196	82	227	59	45	191	141	39
9	7	33	172	172		334-	_139 _	210	\$ /}	22
10	33	88	314	227	82	190	88	190	SEE	137
11	59	172	64	314	65	312	41	3€	153	5
12	175	314	232	58	231		187	91	<u> </u>	98
13	172	284	- 39	49		136	36	38	_161	
14	258	227	190	92	175	266	284	92	137	31
15	190	190	49	39	172	284	220	227	140	81
16	284	20	227	30	30	170	64	122	122	- 27
17	169	265	30-	246-	137	277	191	175	205	11
18	269	8	169	288	197	175	91	272	86	14:
19	36	312	170	7	246	68	210	148	118	43
20	334	167	246	231	109	86	134	268	205	5
21		64-	247	247	-331	106	73	-248-	147	14!
22	8	138	141	48	110	187	17	337	187	260
23	312	30	189	66	48	101	140	312	149	40
24	255	39	269	74	78	3	122	118	266	18
25 	134	49-	214	110		134_	148	220	46_	5
26	187	214	92	143	29	91	312	138	çz	28
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28	125	337	248	270	284	215	175	3	- 55	31
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14	64	146	189	139	142	266	122	150	220	118				
19	276	58	138	191	78	279	266	118	134	145				
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APPENDIX D

MOST FREQUENTLY CHOSEN PREDICTORS

This appendix lists, in order, the 100 most frequently chosen predictors for all 10 equations for the 20 terminals identified in Table 1(a). The predictors are identified by number as given in Appendix A.

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APPENDIX E

ORDER OF SELECTION OF PREDICTORS BY PREDICTOR

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APPENDIX F

DEFINITION OF VERIFICATION SCORES

This appendix defines the Brier P-score, Allen utility score, and percent correct.

It is desirable that statements of the probability of a weather event be reliable; that is, over a period of time the event should actually occur with the frequency implied by the probability forecast. It is also desirable that the probabilities be as close to zero or to 100 percent as possible when the event does not occur or does occur, respectively. The Brier P-score (P) (Brier, 1950) measures these two characteristics of probability forecasts and is given by

$$P = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^{r} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \left(f_{ij} - E_{ij} \right)^{2}$$
 (F1)

where on each of N occasions an event can happen in only one of r possible classes, and f_{11} , f_{12} , ..., f_{ir} represent the forecast probabilities that the event will occur in classes 1, 2, ..., r, respectively. If the r classes are chosen to be mutually exclusive and exhaustive,

$$\sum_{j=1}^{r} f_{ij} = 1$$
 (F2)

for each and every i = 1, 2, ... N. E_{ij} takes the value 1 or 0 according, respectively, to whether the event occurred in class j or not. For perfect forecasting, the Brier P-score will have a value of zero and, for the worst possible forecasting, a value of two.

The percent correct (PC) of the total number of forecasts is computed by

$$PC = \frac{Sum of correct forecasts}{Total number of forecasts} \times 100,$$
 (F3)

The computation of a utility score involves the use of a utility matrix. A utility matrix essentially shows a series of weighting factors which are meant to represent the usefulness or utility of forecasts to the user.

The utility matrix used in this study and shown in Table Fl was devised by R. A. Allen after consultation with forecasters at several aviation forecast centers. The matrix may not be too different from that of an

actual utility matrix of an airline, and it has been used by Enger et al. (1962) in evaluating ceiling height forecasts at seven terminals.

Inspection of Table F1 shows that a correct forecast of category one receives a weight of 1.0, while a correct forecast of category five is given a weight of only .15. Also, a near miss such as a forecast category one when category two is observed is weighted by .7. The Allen utility score (AUS) is given by

AUS
$$= \sum_{j=1}^{5} \sum_{i=1}^{5} w_{ij} z_{ij}$$
, (F4)

where W represents the weights shown in Table F1 and Z represents the values in the corresponding boxes of a 5 by 5 forecast-observed contingency table. This score therefore has the following characteristics:
a) more credit is given for correct forecasts of the lower, more operationally significant, ceiling categories than for correct forecasts in higher categories, and b) some credit is given for near misses.

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Table F1. The Allen Utility Matrix Used to Judge the Usefulness of Ceiling and Visibility Forecasts.

Observed	Forecast Category								
Category	1	2	3	4	5				
1	1.0	0.6	0.1	0.0	0.0				
2	.7	.9	.4	.05	.0				
3	.2	•5	.7	.2	.0				
4	.0	.1	.3	. 45	.1				
5	.0	.0	.05	.1	.15				